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DISCRIMINATION AGAINST INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

Mr. Bengoa, Ms. Chavez and Mr. Hatano: draft resolution

Relocation of Navajo and Hopi Families

The Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,

Recalling its resolution 1989/37 of 1 September 1989 and 1990/34 of 31 August 1990 concerning the relocation of Navajo and Hopi families from northern Arizona in the United States of America,

Recalling also the reports prepared by Ms. Erica-Irene Daes and Mr. John Carey (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1989/35, part I and part II and Add.1) pursuant to its decision 1988/105 of 1 September 1989,

Mindful of the conclusions contained in the working paper on human rights dimensions of population transfer, including the implantation of settlers and settlements prepared by Ms. Christy Mbonu (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1981/47), with respect to the impact of such activities on the enjoyment of human rights,

1. Recommends that members of the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribal Council participate in court-ordered mediation to seek a peaceful settlement of the situation;

2. Expresses the hope that mediation will result in a settlement that respects the rights and dignity of the families directly affected;

3. Appeals to the Government of the United States of America to ensure, through cooperation with the court-appointed mediator, that no further relocation of these families takes place;

4. Requests the mediator to submit all relevant information regarding the human rights aspects of the case in question and the outcome of the mediation to the Sub-Commission;

5. Decides to monitor the situation and gather information, including the mediator's reports, for the future work of and consideration by the members of the Sub-Commission and other bodies of the United Nations;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to invite indigenous peoples' organizations, Governments and non-governmental organizations to submit information concerning the progress of the court-ordered mediation for consideration by the Sub-Commission at its forty-seventh session.

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